



FOURTH QUARTER 2001 COVERED EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES



The average quarterly employment for Louisiana during fourth quarter 2001 increased by 8,696, or 0.5%, from the third quarter 2001. The average quarterly employment data for fourth quarter 2001, third quarter 2001, and the percent change for the major industry sectors is shown in the table "Average Quarterly Employment." Due to the change from the Standard Industrial Classification System (SIC) to the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS), there will be major shifts in employment and wages between industries; therefore, no year-ago comparisons are available at the industry sector level. **Due to the conversion to NAICS, this data should not be compared to data in publications prior to first quarter 2001.**

Average Quarterly Employment

	QTR 01-4	QTR 01-3	QTR 00-4	% CHG FROM PREV QTR	% CHG FROM PREV YR
Total	1,869,937	1,861,241	1,879,404	0.5%	-0.5%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, and Hunting	13,494	13,238	NA	1.9%	NA
Mining	48,018	50,045	NA	-4.1%	NA
Utilities	15,631	15,509	NA	0.8%	NA
Construction	133,196	135,020	NA	-1.4%	NA
Manufacturing	168,482	172,723	NA	-2.5%	NA
Wholesale Trade	76,753	77,483	NA	-0.9%	NA
Retail Trade	232,219	228,796	NA	1.5%	NA
Transportation and Warehousing	81,823	81,980	NA	-0.2%	NA
Information	32,737	33,128	NA	-1.2%	NA
Finance and Insurance	61,746	61,963	NA	-0.4%	NA
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	36,125	36,331	NA	-0.6%	NA
Professional, Scientific, and Tech. Services	70,184	68,967	NA	1.8%	NA
Mgmt. of Companies and Enterprises	23,068	23,214	NA	-0.6%	NA
Adm. and Support and Waste Mgmt.	92,728	93,628	NA	-1.0%	NA
Educational Services	175,814	157,321	NA	11.8%	NA
Health Care and Social Assistance	247,512	246,034	NA	0.6%	NA
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	46,549	51,510	NA	-9.6%	NA
Accommodation and Food Services	154,933	156,484	NA	-1.0%	NA
Other Services	54,615	53,036	NA	3.0%	NA
Public administration	101,811	102,433	NA	-0.6%	NA

Total wages for fourth quarter 2001 (Table 2) increased by 9.5% from third quarter 2001 and increased by 4.9% from the same period in 2000. The average weekly wage for fourth quarter 2001 was \$596.02, an increase of 9.0% from the third quarter 2001 figure of \$546.76. Average weekly wage data is shown in Table 1 for all parishes within each NAICS sector by Regional Labor Market Area. Average weekly wage data is shown in Table 2 by NAICS sectors at the statewide level.

The number of reporting units for fourth quarter 2001 increased by 373 units, or 0.3%, from third quarter 2001 and decreased 2,119 units, or 1.8%, from the same period in 2000. The number of reporting units for fourth quarter 2001, third quarter 2001, and the percent change for the major industry sectors is shown on the table "Reporting Units – Fourth Quarter 2001" on the following page.

Reporting Units – Fourth Quarter 2001

	QTR 01-4	QTR 01-3	QTR 00-4	% CHG FROM PREV QTR	% CHG FROM PREV YR
Total	114,520	114,147	116,639	0.3%	-1.8%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, and Hunting	1,626	1,619	NA	0.4%	NA
Mining	1,707	1,692	NA	0.9%	NA
Utilities	834	818	NA	2.0%	NA
Construction	9,816	9,821	NA	-0.1%	NA
Manufacturing	4,526	4,563	NA	-0.8%	NA
Wholesale Trade	7,687	7,655	NA	0.4%	NA
Retail Trade	17,000	17,069	NA	-0.4%	NA
Transportation and Warehousing	4,443	4,445	NA	0.0%	NA
Information	1,701	1,705	NA	-0.2%	NA
Finance and Insurance	7,497	7,473	NA	0.3%	NA
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	4,964	4,928	NA	0.7%	NA
Professional, Scientific, and Tech. Services	11,404	11,278	NA	1.1%	NA
Mgmt. of Companies and Enterprises	496	497	NA	-0.2%	NA
Adm. and Support and Waste Mgmt.	5,276	5,267	NA	0.2%	NA
Educational Services	903	899	NA	0.4%	NA
Health Care and Social Assistance	10,522	10,456	NA	0.6%	NA
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	1,463	1,438	NA	1.7%	NA
Accommodation and Food Services	7,481	7,398	NA	1.1%	NA
Other Services	10,756	10,673	NA	0.8%	NA
Public administration	3,202	3,199	NA	0.1%	NA